## **Alberto Quintanilla**

**From:** b. beekman <cranberrysauce23@gmail.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 8, 2021 10:25 AM

**To:** John Harnett; Gisela Jara; CClerk; Lindsay Mendez; Jenny Kassan; Human Services. Laurie

Flores; Lily Mei; Human Services; Margaux Juta; Fremont Islander

**Subject:** Blair Beekman. Tuesday. June 8, 2021.\_\_ City of Fremont. Wednesday Meal Program.

Fremont Islander.

Dear Fremont city govt,

Thank you, for your overall patience, in that I am becoming, a fairly regular public speaker, at Fremont City council meetings. I try to speak about the importance, of open public policies & accountability, with surveillance technology & data collection, for a local community.

I am learning, how these ideas of human rights, civil protections, more open democracy, can work towards ideas, of peace & sustainability. And that can better address, the closed mindedness, of war, and its needs of secrecy, disorganization, choas, and opacity.

I currently live, in the Mowry Ave/Fremont Blvd area, at the Fremont Islander. I've had some contact & help earlier, from certain email addresses, above. And with, early Covid-19 testing & housing questions.

With the help, from the city of Fremont, and its Housing & Human Services Depts., the Fremont Islander, has become, a good place, for transitional housing needs. And help for people, trying get back on their feet, looking for more permanent housing.

The reason, why I write to you today, is that, the city of Fremont, provides a free, prepared, meal service, every Wednesday, to the Fremont Islander.

Meals are cooked, and then frozen, before arrival, noon time Wednesday. The meals, can then be re-heated, by tenants.

They have a formal preparedness, of a dinner meal. Choices can range, from Tilapia with vegetables, Beef Lasagna, or Penne Pasta with Vegetables.

To note, the hearty, healthy vegetarian servings, of pasta, vegetables and tomato sauce, can offer as much protein, iron, and a satisfied, full stomach, as meals with beef. And that works, to much address, planet sustainability.

This has been, a steady, good meals program. It has offered, some interesting choices, that provides, a quality meal, for many people, of the Fremont Islander,

As many residents, simply don't have enough money, to pay for meals, each week. And have to often make choices, between, food & bus fare.

With all of this said, there has been some talk, heresay, and confusion, that this helpful, Wednesday meal program, from the city of Fremont, may be ending, by the end, of July 2021.

The people of the Fremont Islander, who facilitate food services, are not fully clear, what are, city of Fremont plans, for this Wednesday, noon-time meal program, after July 2021.

Can you write back to myself, or perhaps to the people of the Fremont Islander, to clear up, this current confusion.

And can you write back, to myself, or Fremont Islander staff, in what exactly, is the current status, of the city of Fremont, Wednesday meal program, for the Fremont Islander.

I would like to work, for this meal program, to be able to continue, after July 2021.

It is almost mid-June 2021. In community planning terms, the end of July, is coming up soon. A quick reply, would be helpful, to address this question & situation.

Can you please write back to myself, or perhaps, Fremont Islander staff, if the city of Fremont, Wednesday meal program, will be continuing, after July 2021.

Sincerely, Blair Beekman

I have included, the email address of Fremont Islander staff, above.